

## UPDATE

### QZAB FINANCING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

On February 16, 2007, the California Department of Education (CDE) released the QZAB Program application guidelines for calendar years 2006 and 2007. The CDE parameters for participation in the QZAB program are different from previous years requirements, including:

- Applications for the program are due on **July 2, 2007**, by 5:00 p.m.
- A bond cap will be placed on geographic regions instead of local education agencies (LEA) enrollment levels. Applications will be organized into 1 of 6 geographic regions, with each region allotted \$15,500,000 in QZAB bond authorization per year. The geographic make-up of each region is listed below:
  - Region 1: Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Madera, Mariposa, Mendocino, Merced, Modoc, Mono, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tuolumne, Yolo, Yuba
  - Region 2: Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Monterey, Napa, San Benito, San Francisco, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma, Ventura
  - Region 3: Fresno, Inyo, Kern, Kings, San Bernardino, Tulare
  - Region 4: Los Angeles
  - Region 5: Los Angeles Unified School District
  - Region 6: Imperial, Orange, Riverside, San Diego
- Complete applications will be ranked for each geographic region based on a 117-point scale system, with points awarded for program description, student enrollment, industry partners, proposed project and other program parameters.

For additional information on CDE's QZAB program or to download an application please visit the CDE website at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/fa/qz/>.